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STATE FOR AF/W AND PM

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SG

SUBJECT: IMET TRAINING: SENEGAL

REF: (A) STATE 178241; (B) DAKAR 5160; (C) DA WASHDC//DAMO/
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1. SUMMARY: MISSION IS BAFFLED AT REVERSAL OF PREVIOUS
STATE/DEFENSE WILLINGNESS TO INFORM CONGRESS OF INCREASE IN
FY 1977 IMET FUNDING FOR SENEGAL TO COVER FOUR COURSES.
WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING SLOTS, DATES AND OTHER DATA FOR PRE-
VIOUSLY REQUESTED COURSES SOONEST, PREFERABLY UNDER FY 77 FUNDING
IF THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO ALTERNATIVE. END SUMMARY.

2. MISSION IS BAFFLED TO LEARN (REF A) THAT STATE/DEFENSE ARE
NOT DISPOSED TO INFORM CONGRESS OF INCREASE IN FY 1977
IMET FUNDING FOR SENEGAL FOR MORE THAN ONE COURSE, SINCE IT
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WAS STATE/DEFENSE PREPAREDNESS TO INFORM SENATE AND HOUSE
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEES OF INCREASE COVERING FOUR FY-77
COURSES PLUS LANGUAGE TRAINING (STATE 135639) WHICH
PROMPTED OUR OFFER TO SENEGALESE IN THE FIRST PLACE.

3. WITH TERMINATION OF IN-COUNTRY LANGUAGE PROGRAM AND
PROBABLE AVAILABILITY OF ONLY PART OF LANGUAGE PROGRAM

FUNDS FOR FY-78 IMET TRAINING IN CONUS, MISSION HAD BEEN ANXIOUS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ADDITIONAL FY-77 FUNDS FOR PROMPT DEMONSTRATION OF U.S. RESPONSIVENESS TO SENEGALESE TRAINING NEEDS. OUR STRONG PREFERENCE WOULD ACCORDINGLY BE THAT FOUR SLOTS BE FUNDED FROM FY 77 FUNDS, BUT WE WOULD SETTLE FOR FUNDING OUT OF FY-78 ALLOCATION IF THERE IS NO ALTERNATIVE. IMPORTANT THING, IF WE HOPE TO PRESERVE CREDIBILITY WITH SENEGALESE (SEE REF B), IS THAT DEPARTMENT AND DOD ENABLE US TO APPROACH GOS SOONEST WITH PRECISE INFO ON CONFIRMED DATES AND SLOTS FOR COURSES PROPOSED DAKAR 4822.

4. SPECIFICALLY, PLEASE CONFIRM SLOT FOR SENEGAL IN NEXT FIELD ARTILLERY OFFICER ADVANCED COURSE UNDER FY-77 FUNDS AS INITIALLY PROPOSED BY STATE/DEFENSE IF AT ALL POSSIBLE; IF NOT, UNDER FY-78 FUNDS. ADVISE.

5. PLEASE CONFIRM SLOT IN ENGINEER OFFICER ADVANCED COURSE BEGINNING 1 FEB 78 (REF C) PRECEDED BY 12 WEEKS LANGUAGE TRAINING. AGAIN, MISSION URGES THAT FY-77 FUNDING BE ALLOCATED IF NECESSARY.

6. PLEASE CONFIRM SPACE FOR SENEGAL IN NEXT INTERNATIONAL DEFENSE MANAGEMENT COURSE, PRECEDED BY 18 WEEKS LANGUAGE TRAINING AS REQUESTED DAKAR 4822, UNDER FY-77 OR, IF NECESSARY, FY-78 FUNDS.

7. IF IMET FUNDING IS COMPLETELY OUT OF QUESTION FOR
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INTELLIGENCE COURSE, PLEASE ADVISE DATE OF NEXT COURSE WITH SPACE AVAILABLE AND COST OF COURSE TO SENEGAL UNDER FMS CASH SALE.

8. PLEASE CONFIRM URGENTLY THAT MAP ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED BY DSAA FOR AUGUST 24 ARMOR OFFICER ADVANCED COURSE.
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